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Gidgegannup Agricultural Society News



The WA 10th Light Horse will be adding a touch of history and camaraderie to the Gidgegannup Show this year, as they bring WW1 troopers and horses, offering the community an opportunity for pats and chats.

WW1 Memorabilia

Additionally, there will be a display of WW1 memorabilia, with some hands-on items for visitors to engage with. It promises to be a unique and enriching experience, blending education with a sense of connection to the past.

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Stall Holders!

Bookings are now open for Stall Holders for the 2024 Gidgegannup Agricultural Show on 26th October.

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Welcome to new members

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Gidgegannup Agricultural Society Inc.

www.gidgegannup.info/gidgegannup-agricultural-society/

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Gidge Recreation Club News

How nice it was to have a share event that brought the community together on Saturday 18th. The juniors enjoyed a couple of games which was followed by the seniors with a win, under lights of an evening game. All those present enjoyed the beautiful recreation facilities on another lovely May evening.

The night was still young when the music began. Those who stayed on danced the night away to a mixture of music – blues, original mixes along with covers. The live music began with Jacob and then The Cold and the Beautiful. It was great to see a favourite back with the Blues Choppers.

We would love to hear from as to what you enjoyed and what you would like to see more of in the future. Let our committee members know when you see us around Gidge or send us email info@gidgerecclub.com.au

All enquiries can be done by email to bookings@gidgegannuprecclub.com.au, or through Gidgegannup Recreation Club face book page or contact club President Michael Blackie.

Please note the club secretary Carey Stewart will not be available to take your calls until the end of July.

COMING EVENTS

Friday Nights
The Bar opens at 6pm.

Cr Rod Henderson Swan Valley, Gidgegannup Ward

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Authorised by R. Henderson 24 Ellip Way, West Swan



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From facebook



Gidge Junior Football Club

It was our pleasure to host Bullsbrook at the Gidgegannup vs Bullsbrook Gala, and we congratulate them on their first Junior team in the competition!

Well done to all of our Juniors that played hard on the day, and showed good sportsmanship donning an opposition jumper. We look forward to the next one!

Barking Bulldogs

Round 6 the Bulldogs had a win against Bullsbrook at home. Everyone enjoyed the evening, after a great day of hills footy. Round 5 we took on Mt Helena at home and walked away with a convincing win after looking to bounce back from the loss to Pickering the week before. A strong performance saw all players contributing to the win as we were supported by our juniors Gidgegannup Junior Football Club in the build up to the game.

Best player sponsored by the Style family- Liam Marriott, Second best player sponsored by the Gidge Thai Takeaway - Jy Digney, Third best player sponsored by Noble Falls Tavern – Jarrad Young and the Coaches award sponsored by the Davis family – Rhys Ostojichn

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Gidge Gossips *By Sally Block*

Here we are cruising into winter with only 64mm of rain so far this year.

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Our garden is a pretty sorry sight I must admit, but we will like the Phoenix rise from the ashes. A very good opportunity to thin it out a bit, chop it down and have the prospect of the most magnificent regrowth in Spring

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The last time we had very low rainfall in Gidgegannup, 524mm for the year, the following winter it poured and we had over 1000mm so here the optimist sits expecting a really wet winter. It appears that even BOM is forecasting rain in the next week or so. Might be a shower Saturday and the Field Day a magnificent 25 degrees.

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By the time you read this the Field Day will be over and done with. The Committee have done a magnificent job with a programme bulging with entertainment and things to do. The new President and Ground Steward have done a magnificent job ably supported by the rest of the committee.

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It is interesting that there have been significant changes in our Committees this year and this is great, fresh faces with fresh ideas.

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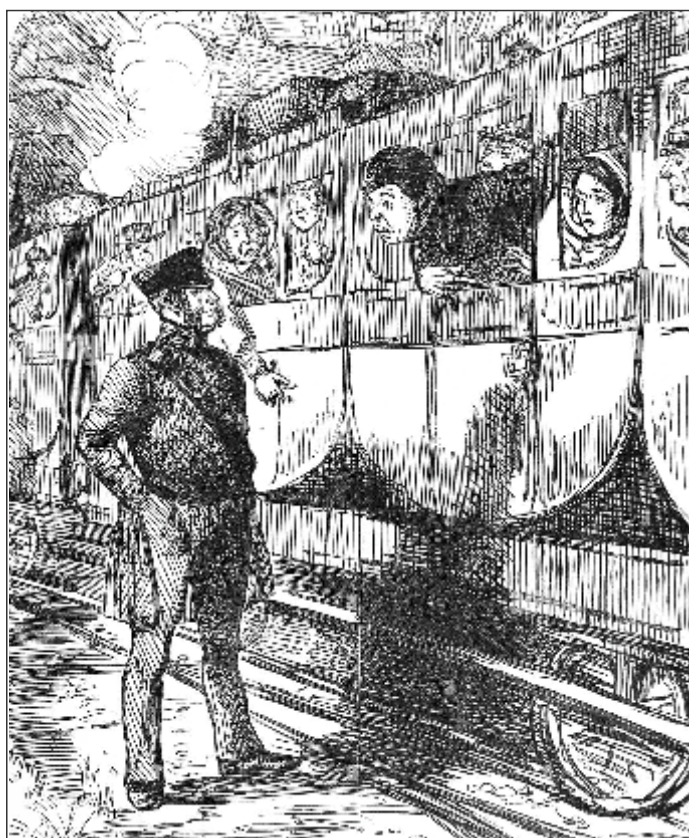
I think we have all found it a bit tough dealing with the extended summer and lack of water and also the problem of feed for our Livestock. Hopefully we can now look forward to a kinder winter.

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And the joke

A large two-engine train was crossing Australia. After they had gone some distance one of the engines broke down. "No problem," the driver thought, and carried on at half power. Farther on down the line, the other engine broke down, and the train came to a standstill.

The driver decided he should inform the passengers about why the train had stopped, and made the following announcement: "Ladies and Gentlemen, I have some good news and some bad news. The bad news is that both engines have failed, and we will be stuck here for some time. The good news is that you decided to take the train and not fly."



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Next Meetings: 17th June, 15th July (AGM) 2024 at 7.30pm at the Agricultural Hall.

DROUGHT RESILIENCE PLANS;

Response to our email:

To follow up our conversation over the phone re -Drought Resilience Funding Plan , I do apologise for the delay in responding to your email. Your inquiry and concerns have been noted . In response to your enquiry, please see the below:

- Water Corporation does not provide water services to the Gidgegannup townsite, and residents are responsible for maintaining their own supply of drinking water.
- All Western Australians living in bushfire prone areas, whether they have their own drinking water supply or are connected to Water Corporation's networks, cannot rely on accessing scheme water during a bushfire incident.
- This is because Water Corporation schemes are not designed to provide water for firefighting purposes and therefore are not guaranteed to meet this demand.
- Water Corporation may be required to restrict firefighting supply to ensure connected customers receive a water service.
- Similarly, Water Corporation does not guarantee water availability at standpipes for use by tanker operators to supply homes and businesses not connected to scheme water. Water Corporation may slow the draw from standpipes to ensure water supply is sufficiently maintained to connected customers.
- It is important for all Western Australians living in bushfire prone areas to be prepared and plan to stay safe in the event of a fire. For more information, please visit the Department of Fire and Emergency's website, <https://mybushfireplan.wa.gov.au/emergency-resources>.

- Regarding the tanker operators' waiting times, as the agreement between tanker operators and their customers is a private arrangement, Water Corporation is not aware of the timeframes involved to receive water.
- Water Corporation does not have services in Gidgegannup and is not aware of programs or grants via the City of Swan or other agencies (excluding the Regional Drought Resilience Planning Program) to help hills residents with their water supplies.

Additionally,

- Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) administers the Community Water Supply Partnerships Program (CWSPP) that provides grant funding for local government and community groups for projects to improve off-farm water supply capacity, reduce the reliance on scheme water and support the irrigation of public open spaces.
- The CWSPP covers local government areas within the dryland agricultural area that receive less than 600 mm annual average rainfall.
- In April 2024, the State Government announced that \$1.5 million will be provided to extend the CWSPP to more regional communities as part of the dry season response support initiatives.
- Up to \$100,000 can be provided for each off-farm community water supply project, developed by local government or community groups on a co-contribution basis. Water security can be boosted through new water tanks and infrastructure for emergency farm and firefighting community water supplies, as well as public amenity projects in regional communities. Applications for the extended program will open in mid-May.

GIDGEGANNUP SHOWGROUNDS PLAY SPACE UPGRADE

Completion forecast 24 May 2024

PERMIT BURNING SEASON

The burning permit season has started after being delayed some weeks due to the dry weather and extreme soil dryness levels. The Permit arrangement is likely to continue into June unless we have significant rainfall in the near future. Meteorology forecasts seem to indicate rain the next week but this promise seems very slow in eventuating.

LOCAL PLANNING SCHEME LPS 18

Comment can be made at:

https://www.swan.wa.gov.au/awcontent/Web/Documents/Final-Agenda-Ordinary_Meeting_of_Council_-March.pdf

Gidgegannup Hall Renewal - Consultation Session: 9am Friday 5th April

City still consulting with community. One concern that has been expressed is that the Gidgegannup Hall Renewal is going to take nearly a year to complete, in which time the Community will not have the use of the Hall. Community Groups will have to find alternative venues for their meetings and activities. Also this will mean that the Field Day and the

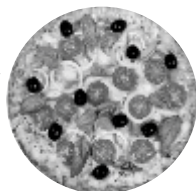
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Show will not have the use of the Hall. This will have quite an effect on those two days.

We are told that this will be the most economic way of carrying out this renewal, which, of course, is important to rate payers. Our concern is the effect this will have on the community and the impact this will have.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION;

Public Consultation - DA-253/2021/A - Amendment to Approved Dam Size - (DA-253/2021) - Lot 801 (No.1044) Reen Road, GIDGEGANNUP

Good morning

The City is in the process of advertising the above for the purpose of seeking community opinion.

The proposal has been advertised in the following manner:

- Sign on Site - 1
- Advertisement in local newspaper (Echo 3/5/2024)
- Letters to surrounding property owners
- Letters to Interest Groups - NIL
- City's website

Particulars for the proposal are available on the City of Swan website via the link provided below:

City of Swan | DA-253/2021/A - Amendment to Approved Dam Size - (DA-253/2021)

The closing date for submissions is **20 May 2024**, after which the proposal will be further assessed in light of the submissions received

City of Swan | DA-212/2024 - Extensions to existing roof (bar area Noble Falls Tavern) - Lot 309 (No.2672) Toodyay Road GIDGEGANNUP

Alternatively, you can view the application at the Council's Administration Centre during business hours (8:00 am to 5:00 pm).

City staff are available to assist you with any queries you may have, however, it is recommended that appointments be made with the case officer Laura O'Shea if there are major queries.

If you have any comments/objections relating to the proposal please complete the Online Feedback Form on the City's website by close of business 5pm, 20 May 2024.

Please ensure the City's reference number located in the top left hand side of the attached document is referenced in all correspondence. Failure to provide this information may result in a delayed response.

To assist with the registration of your comments/objections, the only methods of acceptance of your comments/objections is through the online feedback form, by post or emailed response to swan@swan.wa.gov.au. This will ensure that your comments/objections are registered accordingly. Your early response would be appreciated as this will assist Council to expedite its decision making process.

You are advised that any concerns raised in the submissions received may be referred to the Council along with the proposal at the next available Council Meeting. Council meeting dates and agendas can be found on the City's website www.swan.wa.gov.au

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SMALL FARM FIELD DAY

This event will be over by the time the Gidgegram is published but it looks as though once again we are going to have another wonderful day. We will give a full report in the July Gidgegram and hope very much that all those taking part have a great time and enjoy themselves.

We would like to thank all those participating, the many community groups, exhibitors, entertainers. You are what makes this such a special day. We would also like to thank our sponsors the Countryman Newspaper, the City of Swan and the Mundaring Community Bank.

Thank you all so much

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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Event: West Gidge VBFB Annual General Meeting

Date: 15th of July 2024 from 6:00pm.

Dinner provided after the meeting.

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General public welcome

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RIP Janine

Sadly, Janine Doornbusch, a popular resident of Gidgegannup passed away at the age of 60 years.

Janine bred award winning Shetland Ponies and spent many years caring for others in her capacity as a nurse.

The Gidgegannup Agricultural Society sends condolences to her family and friends.



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Far beyond scones and jam, the influence of the country women's association has been at the frontline of Australia regional communities for 100 years, supporting rural women, advancing social justice, and lobbying government.

Over the years, CWA lobbying has contributed to lasting changes, including mandatory car seatbelts and helmets for cyclists, the introduction of lower strength beers and campaigns to support Australian made products.

Almost every country town in western Australia has a CWA. It may sound dated, but these institutions are certainly beacons for the community, but they represent so much more.



Gidgegannup CWA.



Nungarin branch 100 years ago.

For decades which ever hall or room around the country that members gather in, it has provided a safe space for females of all ages fellowship and conversation. Supporting and engaging in vital charitable fundraising along the way.

\In recent years people have rediscovered that they want to connect with some of the traditional skills that they recognize the CWA holds in Australia over the past 100 years. It may look a little different going forward. The thing with CWA is its always evolving.



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Hall renovations could take over 12 months

A meeting was held on 5 April 2024 between the City of Swan, Stephen Carrick Architects and representatives from various Gidgegannup community groups to learn of the proposed renovations to the Gidgegannup Hall commissioned by the City of Swan. Here are some notes from the Minutes of the meeting, supplemented by information from the Gidgegannup Local Area Plan. The Gidgegannup Agricultural Society has asked the City to submit an up-to-date report on the status of the project for the 4 June GAS committee meeting.

The Gidgegannup Showground facilities are used by the Gidgegannup Agricultural Society, Gidgegannup Progress Association, Gidgegannup Scout Group, Gidgegannup Playgroup, Gidgegannup Square Dance Club, Gidgegannup Pony Club, Gidgegannup Dressage Club, Gidgegannup Hills and Equestrian Association, Gidgegannup Craft and Spinning Group, Rotary Club WA, Landcare and the Country Women's Association.

The City of Swan is committed to maintaining infrastructure that meets community needs and, working from the Gidgegannup Showgrounds Masterplan, is planning ongoing upgrades at the Showgrounds. The Hall was built in 1945 and opened for community use in 1946. It is included on the City of Swan's Local Heritage Survey and the City is planning to undertake necessary repairs and renovations to the Hall in the near future, taking care to conserve the heritage fabric of the building.

A report was prepared by Lalli Consulting Engineers in November 2023, identifying critical structural issues, including repair work to brick walls and footings, replacement of lintels and replacement of the pergola. In addition to asbestos removal, the current proposed works also include upgrades to security and accessibility, electrical services, supply of potable water and rewiring, plus audio and visual systems. The toilet and shower facilities will be redesigned creating some concern that access for community

groups using other facilities than the Hall would not be available during the project. The City will take the request for the existing external toilet blocks to be upgraded with showers into consideration. Overall, these essential repairs should not have a significant visual impact on the building.

The City was advised by the Building Compliance Consultant that if the total proposed building floor area exceeded 500m² (it is approximately 466m²), these additions would require significant additional fire services and, consequently, no major extra external construction is envisaged.

However, it was noted that the State has plans to increase fire services within the City of Swan, independent from any proposal for the Hall.

The Agricultural Society and Experience Gidgegannup asked about the project timeframe and requested that the City keep them informed of the timeline to ensure they are given sufficient notice to consider alternative arrangements for the Small Farm Field Day (end of May) and the Agricultural Show (end of October).

The meeting was advised that this project will be staged under one contract and is expected to be undertaken over the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 financial years, extending over a 12-month period.

The overall feeling of the meeting, expressed by the CWA representative, was that the Hall is an important gathering place which brings the community together. If repairs and an upgrade to the hall are needed, the work should not be delayed.

The Agricultural Society requested that the City provide clear updated drawings and a firm proposed timeline for the project, listing areas that may be impacted during construction and their duration.

Rains welcomed, time to prepare the soil

Around the Paddock by The Farmer



Well, as I pen this article rain has arrived.

Gentle stuff that has not caused any run-off, or gouging in the paddocks.

Once I start to see a bit of water in the dams I will then be extremely happy, as carting water twice a day can be a bit tedious, especially as there is other work that has to be undertaken.

The forecast is looking pretty good with a couple fine to drizzle days and a couple of days with much heavier downpours forecast.

It is to be hoped that the ground can withstand the heavier rain in the following week.

This rain should be enough to get the grasses started over the next few days.

It is important to remember that as the green "pick" flourishes it will not be enough to sustain your livestock.

The job of hand feeding must be continued, and as the weather gets cooler it is a must.

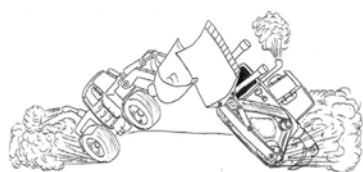
There is nothing worse than seeing animals standing forlornly in a paddock in a hunched position with little to nothing to eat. Once they have lost weight the cool to cold and wet days will take its toll on them. This month, May, has seen a few lambs hit the ground running.

Hopefully the ewes will be able to sustain a decent milk supply until the feed picks up. Keep in mind that with newborn animals that the mother's can be very protective.

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Of course now that the season has "broken" time to think about seeding.

Preparation of paddocks can now be undertaken without creating a dust storm and losing valuable top soil. For paddock feed there are several excellent varieties of rye grasses and clovers available. Also there is an excellent pre-mixed ryes and covers available in 25kg bags. This can be sourced from the rural outlets.

This mix is also an excellent product for meadow hay.

For a good coverage I would suggest about 12-15kg to the hectare, or if a bonanza of a crop is wanted then change that to an acre.

Fertiliser for this type of production is best suited to Super Phosphate or Sup Phis and Potash, 3:2 being my preferred mix.

A good rate is a minimum of a bag to the hectare, of course the heavier the application the better the results.

To apply all of this to a paddock a 3pl super spreader can be used or if a combine seeder is available, better still.

A point to keep in mind. Don't bury fine seeds, spread on the surface and harrowed into the ground is more than adequate to get a decent germination.

One other thing that I consider very important is controlling ARGT. There is a very good rye grass called Safeguard that is available that is ARGT free and if allowed to set to seed will cross pollinate with other ryes.

If growing cereal hay, oats or wheat, then a slow release fertiliser is best suited for this. A minimum fertiliser rate of 50-60 kgs to the hectare. Though fine seeds don't need to be buried cereal crops do, but not too deep.

Of course the scourge of growing cereal crops here are the parrots, cockies and ducks.

Extras kilos need to be planted to compensate for these pests, as they can certainly make some large holes in a cropped area.

To get the best results for a hay crop, top dressing with Urea about 6-8 weeks after germination should give an excellent return.

When it comes to mowing hay, a good clean and smooth paddock will make life a lot easier.

Pick up any rocks and timber after seeding when they are visible, so much easier at this stage than when the crop has sprouted.

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